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The following items are evidence for the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board hearing regarding Administrative Civil Liability Complaint No. R5-2017-0504, Sweeney Dairy, Tulare County. This matter is scheduled to be heard at the 6/7 April 2017 Central Valley Water Board hearing in Clovis.

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1	ACLO R5-	Sweeney Dairy public file, available at:
	2011-0068	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/
		adopted orders/tulare/r5-2011-0068_enf.pdf
2	ACLO R5-	Sweeney Dairy public file, available at:
_	2012-0070	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/
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3	ACLO R5-	Sweeney Dairy public file, available at:
J	2013-0091	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/
	2010 0001	adopted_orders/tulare/r5-2013-0091_aclo.pdf
4	ACLO R5-	Sweeney Dairy public file, available at:
4	2014-0119	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/
	2014-0119	adopted_orders/tulare/r5-2014-0119_aclo.pdf
5	ACLO R5-	Sweeney Dairy public file, available at:
5	2015-0065	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/
	2015-0005	adopted_orders/tulare/r5-2015-0065_aclo.pdf
6	ACLO R5-	Sweeney Dairy public file, available at:
0	2016-0063	http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/
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8	Notice of	Attached to the Complaint as Exhibit B
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9		Attached to the Complaint as Exhibit C
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12	Compliance by Dairy Size for Submission of the 2015 Annual Report	Attached
13	Signed certified mail return receipt of ACLC R5-2017-0504	Attached
14	Economic Benefit Analysis Prepared by Bryan Elder on 23 December	Attached
45	2016 2015 Annual	Available at:
15	Reports for Dairies	California Integrated Water Quality System (CIWQS) https://ciwqs.waterboards.ca.gov and Electronic Content Management (ECM) Database accessible at the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Offices
16	12 August 2016 Inspection Report and NOV	Attached

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Medium (300 - 700)	258	255	99%
Small (<300)	135	125	93%

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Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

12 August 2016

James G. and Amelia M. Sweeney (owner/operator) Sweeney Dairy 30712 Road 170 Visalia, CA 93292 CERTIFIED MAIL 7015 1520 0000 9052 5275

INSPECTION REPORT, SWEENEY DAIRY, WDID 5D545155N01, 30712 ROAD 170, VISALIA, TULARE COUNTY

On 15 June 2016, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) staff inspected the subject facility (Dairy) to assess compliance with the Reissued Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Existing Milk Cow Dairies, Order No. R5-2013-0122 (Reissued General Order) and Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R5-2013-0122 (MRP). The Reissued General Order, which was adopted by the Central Valley Water Board on 3 October 2013 in response to a Sacramento County Superior Court decision, replaces the Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for Existing Milk Cow Dairies, Order R5-2007-0035 (2007 General Order) and accompanying MRP. The Reissued General Order incorporates the key provisions, specifications, and requirements of the 2007 General Order and accompanying MRP. A Notice of Adopted Reissued General Order was issued to you by the Executive Officer on 1 November 2013 that notified you of the Dairy's coverage under the Reissued General Order.

The Central Valley Water Board inspector was accompanied by Mr. James Sweeney, Dairy owner and operator. The inspection was conducted by observing conditions of the animal housing facilities, feed and silage storage areas, and wastewater retention ponds from public roads and facility access ways.

The following conditions observed during the inspection process and subsequent file review appear to be in violation of the prohibitions, specifications, limitations, and/or provisions of the Reissued General Order.

- A depth marker indicating the minimum capacity necessary to contain runoff and direct precipitation from a 25-year, 24-hour storm event has not been installed at the Central Waste Water Pond, as required by Pond Specification C.3.
- Excessive vegetation along the northern, southern, and eastern sidewalls of the Central Waste Water Pond and in the Back Ponds is a violation of Pond Specification C.2.
- A nutrient management plan, including a nutrient budget for planned nutrient applications to land application areas, was not available for review at the time of the inspection, as required by the MRP, Record-Keeping Requirement B.1.

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Records of solid manure and wastewater applications were not available at the Dairy at the time
of the inspection, as required by the MRP, Record-Keeping Requirements B.3.c and B.3.d.

The Central Valley Water Board has implemented a Paperless Office system that requires electronic submittal of information (ESI) to reduce our paper use, increase efficiency, and provide a more effective way for our staff, the public and interested parties to view case files and other file documents on the State Water Resources Control Board's Internet-accessible database system (Geotracker database).

For submitting data and/or reports, Dischargers or their representatives will need to set up a Geotracker user account. Instructions for setting up an account and the process of claiming a site, formatting and uploading data, and other technical information can be found under the "ESI Overview" and "Getting Started" sections at

http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/electronic_submittal/.

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By 23 September 2016, upload the information listed below to the Geotracker database.

- Documentation that a depth marker has been installed at the Central Waste Water Pond.
- Documentation that excessive vegetation along the northern, southern, and eastern sidewalls of the Central Waste Water Pond and in the Back Ponds has been addressed.
- A nutrient management plan for the Dairy, including a nutrient budget for planned nutrient applications to land application areas, prepared by a qualified person in accordance with Attachment C, Contents of Nutrient Management Plan.
- A demonstration that solid manure and wastewater applications to land application areas at the Dairy are being recorded in accordance with the MRP, Record-Keeping Requirements B.3.c and B.3.d.

If you have any questions regarding this inspection, please contact Scott Moore by telephone at (559) 445-5170 or by email at Scott.Moore@waterboards.ca.gov.

DALE E. ESSARY, PE RCE No. 53216 Senior Engineer

Confined Animals Unit

Enclosure: Facilities Inspection Report

cc: Tulare County Resource Management Department, Visalia Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency, Visalia

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Mr. James Sweeney, owner and operator of the Dairy, was present during the inspection of the Dairy. The Dairy consists of a production area encompassing approximately 15 acres with approximately 66 acres of cropland available for waste application.

According to Mr. Sweeney, the Dairy currently houses approximately 280 milk cows and 35 to 40 dry cows (an approximate total of 320 mature cows), and 220 immature support stock housed in open corrals. Manure is collected primarily by scraping corral surfaces and feed lanes. Concrete alleys, unlined ditches, and subsurface piping provide drainage for surface water runoff from much of the production area to the wastewater retention system. No standing water was observed at any of the livestock corrals or feed and silage storage areas (see Attachment 1). Manure slurry

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is scraped from the feed lanes of the eastern livestock corrals and deposited on the ground surface at either end of the feed lane. Mr. Sweeney reported that the manure slurry is allowed to dry at these areas, and periodically removed for export or application to cropland associated with the Dairy.

The wastewater retention system at the Dairy consists of the Central Waste Water Pond immediately west of the corrals and Back Ponds 1 and 2 (Back Ponds), located along the north edge of the land application area to the north of the Dairy (see Attachment 1). The below-ground Central Waste Water Pond appeared to have at least five to six feet of available freeboard. No water was observed in the Back Ponds. According to Mr. Sweeney, the Back Ponds are used primarily to capture and redistribute storm water runoff, tail water from the adjacent land application area, and a secondary use is for wastewater storage in the event of an above average amount of precipitation during the rainy season.

The Central Waste Water Pond did not contain a depth marker as required by Pond Specification C.3 indicating the minimum capacity necessary to contain runoff and direct precipitation from a 25-year, 24-hour storm event. A depth marker needs to be installed. The Central Waste Water Pond contained excessive vegetation along its southern, northern, and eastern sidewalls, which is a violation of Pond Specification C.2 (see Photograph 1). Additionally, the Back Ponds were highly vegetated (see Photograph 2). Vegetation needs to be removed from the Central Waste Water Pond and the Back Ponds.

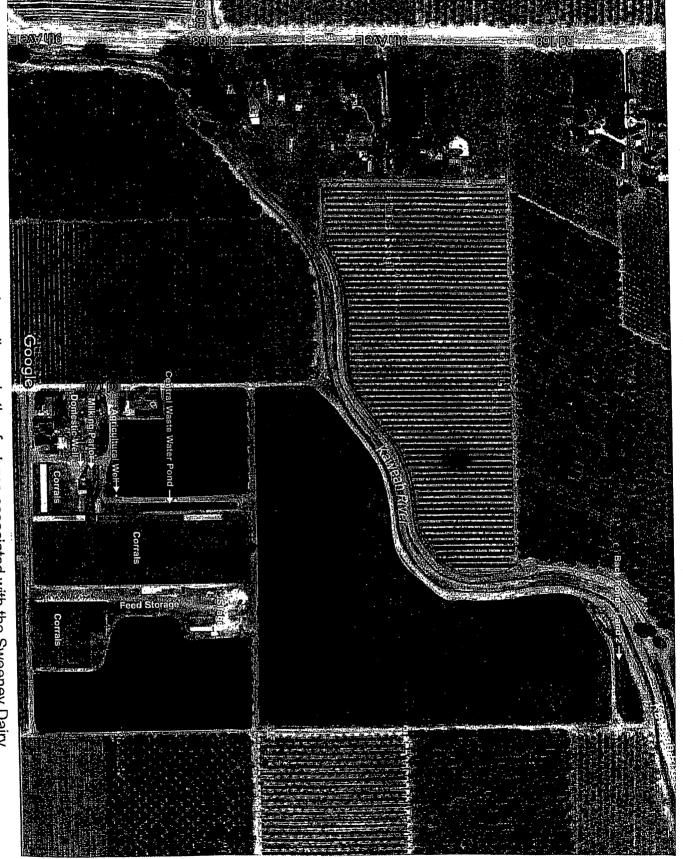
According to the Preliminary Dairy Facility Assessment (PDFA) submitted for the Dairy on 17 September 2007, the capacity of the wastewater retention system (approximately 7.5 million gallons) is sufficient for the wastewater generated by the Dairy herd and surface water run-off from manured areas during a 120-day storage period including a 24-hour, 25-year storm event (approximately 2.3 million gallons). The PDFA calculations were made based upon a maximum herd of 303 mature cows (comparable to the maximum allowable mature herd size of 334 mature cows) and 285 immature support stock, normal rainfall times a factor of 1.5, and surface water run-off from approximately two acres of the approximately16-acre production area draining to the wastewater retention system.

Based on staff review of Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) Panel 0955 of 2550, Map Number 06107C0955E, dated 6 June 2009, the production area of the Dairy is within Zones X and AE, and is located outside of areas affected by a 100-year peak storm event. Zone X represents areas having a 0.2% chance (500-year flood) of flooding and areas prone to flooding during a 100-year flood with depths of less than one foot. Zone AE represent areas prone to flooding during a 100 year flood event that do not have a base flood elevation determination.

A planned nutrient budget was not available for review at the time of the inspection. Records of cumulative nutrient applications for the crops currently being grown at the land application areas were not available at the time of the inspection. According to Mr. Sweeney, the most recent nutrient management plan for the facility was prepared around 2007.

Records of solid manure and wastewater applications were not available at the Dairy at the time of the inspection.

Two wells, an agricultural well and a domestic well, were observed in the production area. The domestic well is immediately south of the milking parlor and the agricultural well is just northeast of the milking parlor (see Attachment 1). Both wells were inspected and as result, no damage to the wells was observed and there were no backflow issues. According to the well setback plan prepared for the Dairy, wastewater is not applied to field checks within 100 feet of the agricultural well. Raised levees and farm access roads are between land application areas and the Kaweah River.

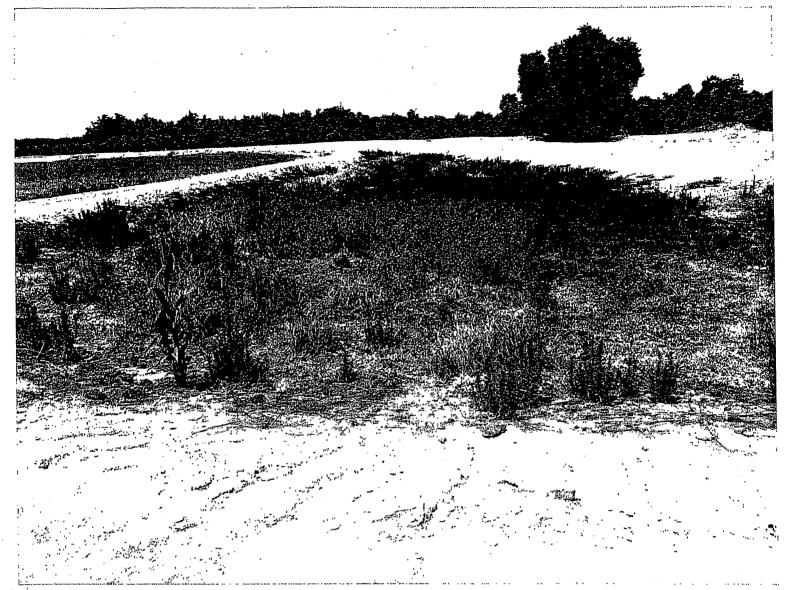


Shown in this attachment are ponds, corrals, wells, and other features associated with the Sweeney Dairy.



Central dairy waste water pond looking to the south. Vegetation observed growing along the eastern, southern, and northern sidewalls.

PHOTOGRAPH - 1



Back Ponds looking to the west. Vegetation observed growing throughout the ponds.

PHOTOGRAPH - 2